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1. AT AUGUST 17 MEETING, POLADS AGREED TO A CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ON THE CONSULTATIONS WITH UN EXPERTS. WHILE NOTING THAT IT WOULD BE UP TO THE COUNCIL TO DECIDE WHETHER TO CONSIDER THIS REPORT AS A REGULAR AGENDA ITEM, FRG, TURKISH, NETHERLANDS, AND FRENCH REPS INDICATED THAT THEIR DELEGATIONS WOULD PROBABLY NOT FAVOR DOING SO. COMMENT: SO FAR AS WE KNOW, ONLY THE FRENCH HAVE AN OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO A NAC CONSULTATION ON UNGA ISSUES. SOME OTHERS DO NOT FAVOR A NAC CONSULTATION BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE IT WILL SIMPLY DUPLICATE WITH LESS PRECISION ISSUES COVERED BY THE EXPERTS. A FEW POLADS BELIEVE, ON THE BASIS OF LAST YEAR'S EXPERIENCE, THAT A CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ON UN EXPERTS DISCUSSION IS DIFFICULT TO PREPARE AND SERVES NO USEFUL PURPOSE. TURKISH REP MENTIONED THAT HIS GUIDANCE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT A CHAIRMAN'S REPORT WOULD INHIBIT FREE, OFF THE RECORD EXCHANGE AMONG UN EXPERTS.
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END COMMENT.

2. POLADS APPROVED DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE EXPERTS MEETING (REF B).

3. CANADIAN REP AT EXPERTS MEETING IS EXPECTED TO BE UN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FRANCES. FRG REP WILL

BE HEAD OF UN OFFICE GORENFLOS. WE HAVE AGAIN
REQUESTED ALL DELEGATIONS TO PROVIDE NAMES OF THEIR
EXPERTS. GLITMAN

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